

2003 Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program

Comparison of 2003 Program with 2002		
	2003 STAR	2002 STAR
Emphasis	California Academic Content Standards	California Academic Content Standards
Test Preparation	Prohibited by Education Code Section 60611	Prohibited by Education Code Section 60611
Students To Be Tested	All in grades 2 - 11	All in grades 2 - 11
State Contractor	Educational Testing Service	Harcourt Educational Measurement
California Standards Test (CST)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fifth grade science: field-test in 2003; operational in 2004 • No CAT/6 questions will be used in ELA scores • Grade 8 History/Social Science • No grade 9 History/Social Science • All questions multiple-choice except for grade 4 and 7 writing tests 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No elementary school science • Stanford 9 questions comprised majority of questions used in ELA scores • Grade 9 History/Social Science • No grade 8 History/Social Science • All questions multiple-choice except for grade 4 and 7 writing tests
Practice Tests	Practice tests for grades 2 – 4 based on CSTs	Practice tests for grades 2 – 4 based on Stanford 9
Test Booklet Configuration	All CSTs first followed by NRTs	CSTs and NRTs interspersed
Field-Testing	Field-test questions embedded in operational tests	Field-test questions administered in separate test booklets at different time of year than operational tests

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Norm Referenced Test (NRT)	<i>California Achievement Tests, Sixth Edition Survey (CAT/6):</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Survey form • Fewer NRT questions • All questions multiple-choice • Single test combining reading and language • Single math test for each grade 2-11 • No 9-11 Social Science • Themes in reading passages • More recent national norms 	<i>Stanford Achievement Test, Ninth Edition (Stanford 9):</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete battery • More NRT questions • All questions multiple-choice • Separate tests for reading vocabulary, reading comprehension and language • Separate math procedures and math problem solving tests for each grade 2-8 • 9-11 Social Science • Recognized authors wrote stories specifically for the test
Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Combined NRT and CST summary reports--format to be determined 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Separate NRT and CST summary reports
Summary Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All student scores included in NRT and CST summaries 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Based on accommodations used, some student scores not included in NRT summaries • All student scores included in CST summaries
Web	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single site for all subgroup reports 	Two web sites for annual results—primary and secondary subgroup reports on separate sites
STAR Centers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Single contact for district STAR coordinators but a different person than 2002 	Single contact for district STAR coordinators
Ordering	Due October 31	Due November 2
Student Demographics	Demographic form will be used for non-tested students	Answer document or test booklet required for every student
Severely Disabled Students	Tested with California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA)	Alternate assessment based on IEP goals
Pre-ID	Optional	Optional

2003 STAR Program Required California Standards and CAT/6 Tests	
Grade/Course	Required Tests
Grades 2, 3, and 6—all students	California Standards Tests <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English Language Arts • Mathematics California Achievement Tests <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading/Language • Spelling • Mathematics
Grades 4 and 7—all students	California Standards Tests <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English Language Arts • ELA Writing Test • Mathematics California Achievement Tests <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading/Language • Spelling • Mathematics
Grade 5—all students	California Standards Tests <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English Language Arts • Mathematics • Science Field Test California Achievement Tests <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading/Language • Spelling • Mathematics
Grade 8—all students	California Standards Tests <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English Language Arts • Mathematics • History-Social Science California Achievement Tests <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading/Language • Spelling • Mathematics
Grade 9—all students	California Standards Tests <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English Language Arts • Mathematics California Achievement Tests <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading/Language • Mathematics • Science

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Grades 10 and 11—all students	California Standards Tests <ul style="list-style-type: none">• English Language Arts• Mathematics• History-Social Science California Achievement Tests <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reading/Language• Mathematics• Science
Grades 9 – 11—students completing standards-based science courses between 2002 summer school and end of 2002-03 school year	California Science Standards Test for last course completed <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology/Life Science• Chemistry• Earth Science• Physics• Integrated Science
Grades 10 and 11	California Mathematics Standards Test based on course completion

Determining the Appropriate California Mathematics Standards Tests for Students in Grades 8 - 11	
Test	Students To Be Tested
General Mathematics	Students in grades 8 and 9 who are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Not yet taking algebra I ▪ In the first year of a two-year algebra I course ▪ Taking no math class
Algebra I	Students in grades 8 – 11 who completed algebra I during the 2002 summer session or who will complete it by the end of the 2002-2003 school year.
1st Year Integrated Mathematics	Students in grades 8 – 11 who completed 1 st Year Integrated Mathematics during the 2002 summer session or who will complete it by the end of the 2002-2003 school year.
Geometry	Students in grades 8 – 11 who completed geometry during the 2002 summer session or who will complete it by the end of the 2002-2003 school year.
2nd Year Integrated Mathematics	Students in grades 8 – 11 who completed 2 nd Year Integrated Mathematics during the 2002 summer session or who will complete it by the end of the 2002-2003 school year.
Algebra II	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Students in grades 8 – 10 who completed algebra II during the 2002 summer session or who will complete it by the end of the 2002-2003 school year and ▪ Students in grade 11 who will complete it by the end of the school year..
3rd Year Integrated Mathematics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Students in grades 8 – 10 who completed 3rd Year Integrated Mathematics during the 2002 summer session or who will complete it by the end of the 2002-2003 school year and ▪ Students in grade 11 who will complete it by the end of the school year..
High School Summative Mathematics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Students in grades 9 and 10 who completed algebra II , 3rd Year Integrated mathematics or an equivalent or higher mathematics course by the end of the 2001 – 2002 school year including grade-10 students who took the test in grade 9. ▪ Students in grade 11 who will have

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	completed algebra II, 3 rd Year Integrated Mathematics or an equivalent or higher mathematics course anytime before the 2003 testing period including students who took the test in grade 10.
Mathematics Standards Test Not Required	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Students in grades 10 and 11 who have not completed algebra II or 3rd Year Integrated Mathematics and who did not complete algebra I, geometry, algebra II, or 1st, 2nd, or 3rd Year Integrated Mathematics during the 2002 summer session and will not complete one of these courses during the 2002-03 school year.

Student Test Documents Required for 2003 STAR Program

Grade 4 and 7 California Writing Standards Test

A California Standards Test Writing Prompt and Response Booklet must be submitted for scoring for students in grades 4 and 7 who:

- Are administered the writing test
- Have written parent requests to exempt them from the writing test

If out of level testing is allowed, a California Standards Test Writing Prompt and Response Booklet must be submitted for scoring for students in other grades taking grade-4 or –7 multiple-choice tests who:

- Are administered the writing test
- Have written parent requests to exempt them from the writing test

California Standards and CAT/6 Tests

A form must be completed and submitted for scoring for every student:

- **Enrolled in the school on the first day the California Standards multiple-choice tests are administered.**
- **Who enrolls after the first day of testing if the student is administered one or more of the multiple-choice tests.**

The following documents must be submitted for scoring:

- **Grade 2 and 3 test booklets:**
 - One for every student who responds to one or more of the questions for any test.
- **Grade 4 – 11 Answer Documents**
 - One for every student who responds to one or more of the questions for any test.
- **Grades 2 – 11 Demographic Forms**
 - A form must be submitted for every student:
 - Enrolled in the school on the first day of testing who is not tested because he/she was absent during the school's entire testing window. This includes students who are removed from the school's enrollment after the first day of test even if they took no tests.
 - Exempted from all tests by parent request.
 - With significant disabilities, who receives special education services, and is completing the California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA).